REMARKS

The Specification has been amended to address the drawing objection and to address the objection due to antecedent basis. No new matter has been entered. Claims 1, 22, and 34 have been amended. No claims have been cancelled. Claims 1-45 remain in the Application. Further consideration and examination is requested.

Examiner Interviews

Applicant appreciates the interviews with Examiner Batista on or about July 6 and 7, 2009 with Timothy Myers and July 14, 2009 with Christopher Kosh.

In the interviews, Applicant and the Examiner discussed amendments based on the Proposed Amendment filed March 12, 2009 to distinguish over the prior art of record. Agreement was reached between the Examiner and Mr. Kosh on July 14, 2009 that the amendments to claims 1, 22, and 34 contained in this amendment overcome the prior art of record.

Specification and Drawings

The Specification was objected to under 37 CFR 1.75(D)(1) for failure to provide antecedent basis in the Specification for the claim language. The Applicant believes there is sufficient support as previously noted, but the Specification has been amended to add the language of claim 34's preamble, as filed, into the paragraph beginning on page 18, line 5 to make the specification more consonant with the claim language as filed and current. Accordingly, no new matter has been entered. Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

The drawings were objected to under 37 CFR 1.84(P)(5). While Applicants believe there is clearly Specification support for Fig. 3 as the ref. char. 13 is described with respect to Fig. 1, the Specification has been amended to conform the description of Fig. 3 to match exactly Fig. 3 as filed to make consonant. Accordingly, no new matter has been entered. Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 1-8, 14-29, 32-41, 44, and 45 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being obvious in view of Aoki and Uchihashi. Claims 9-13, 30, 31, 42, and 43 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being obvious over Aoki, Uchihashi, and Rui.

Applicant has amended claims 1, 22, and 34 to further distinguish and define the invention over the art made of record as discussed with the Examiner. Applicant respectfully submits that the added features of claims 1, 22, and 34 are not taught or suggested by Aoki and Uchihashi, alone or in combination. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests the withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1, 22, and 34 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a).

Applicant also respectfully submits that the added features of claims 1, 22, and 34 are not taught or suggested by Rui. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests the withdrawal of the rejection of dependent claims 9-13, 30, 31, 42, and 43 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a).

CONCLUSION

In view of the above, Applicant respectfully submits that pending claims 1-45 are in form for allowance and are not taught or suggested by the cited references. Therefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections and allowance of claims 1-45 is respectfully requested.

No fees are required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16(h)(i). However, if such fees are required, the Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 08-2025.

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